




Marine Turtle Strandings Training

Reef HQ Conference Room

Sunday 28 October

The QLD Parks and Wildlife Service, in partnership with the Reef HQ Turtle Hospital and the Sea Turtle Foundation, is delivering training for volunteers who can assist with response to reports of stranded (alive and dead) marine turtles in the Townsville region. Response involves the collection of data (e.g. species, measurements, sex and maturity, location, condition, damage/injuries), the disposal of dead turtles, and assistance with the rescue and transport of sick and injured turtles. Please be aware that the vast majority of turtle strandings reported are dead turtles. Additionally, on average there are less than 50 reports received each year, so opportunities for all volunteers to respond may be limited.

Space at the training is limited and participants must meet the following criteria:

-  **Have own vehicle**
-  **Physically capable of lifting, moving turtles and equipment**
-  **Completed online training program** (for access to the online training, please email GBRR-Strandings@des.qld.gov.au and provide your full name and location).

Priority will be given to people who are available most hours.

If you meet these criteria, please send an email to GBRR-Strandings@des.qld.gov.au to register your interest in the training.

If you do not meet these criteria, you will not be selected for the training at Reef HQ. However, you can still do the online training and we will add you to our back up list of responders.

